STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY APRIL 19, 2022

ITEM 2

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL FOR OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND STATE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT PROGRAM FACILITIES DURING THE FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 THROUGH 2025-26 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8.5 MILLION PER YEAR.

DISCUSSION

The State Water Resources Control Board and nine Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Water Boards) and the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) oversee cleanup at Department of Defense and State Memorandum of Agreement (DSMOA) facilities in California. DTSC is the sole recipient of federal funding through a two-year DSMOA Cooperative Agreement to support cleanup oversight.

Every two years DTSC and Water Boards enter into an Interagency Agreement (agreement) that provides DSMOA funding to the Water Boards for oversight work at DSMOA facilities. The current agreement will expire at the end of fiscal year (FY) 2021-22.

DTSC and Water Boards are developing a new two-year agreement for FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 for an amount not to exceed \$8.5 million per year, and execution is anticipated for September 2022. An additional two-year agreement for FY 2024-25 and FY 2025-26 will follow after the FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 agreement terminates. With approval of these agreements, funding will continue for cleanup oversight at military facilities through FY 2025-26.

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Resources Control Board authorize continued funding for oversight of cleanup at DSMOA facilities identified in the DSMOA Cooperative Agreement?

FISCAL IMPACT

If adopted, staff work associated with or resulting from the action can be accomplished within budgeted resources.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT

Yes. All Regional Water Quality Control Boards.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Executive Director or designee to execute Interagency Agreements with the DTSC for oversight of the cleanup of the DSMOA facilities during the FY 2022-23 through FY 2025-26 for an amount not to exceed \$8.5 million per year.